

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. A vehicle verification and control system device,  
comprising:

5 a microprocessor, wherein said microprocessor is carried by  
a vehicle and said microprocessor can command a vehicle master  
computer;

a receiver, wherein said receiver can receive at least one  
signal for said microprocessor;

10 a transmitter, wherein said transmitter sends said at least  
one signal to said receiver; and

a monitoring means, wherein said monitoring means records  
receipt of said at least one signal and determines physical  
proximity of the vehicle.

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2. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 1,  
wherein said microprocessor and said receiver comprise a central  
computer brain.

20 3. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 1,  
further comprising at least one antenna.

4. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 1,  
wherein each said at least one signal is analog.

5. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 1, wherein each said at least one signal is digital.

5 6. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 1, wherein each said at least one signal is G3.

7. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 1, wherein each said at least one signal is broadband.

10 8. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 1, wherein each said at least one signal is satellite.

15 9. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 1, wherein each said at least one signal is infrared.

10. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 1, further comprising at least one license plate, said license plate digitally encoded to said microprocessor and said license plate  
20 carrying an infrared receptor, wherein receipt of an infrared signal by said infrared receptor initiates a disabling command from said microprocessor to the vehicle master computer.

11. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 10,

wherein said digital encoding of said license plate enables remote transmission of said disabling command.

12. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 1,  
5 further comprising a towing module, said towing module initiating an authorization sequence prior to towing of the vehicle, wherein failure of said authorization sequence initiates a response.

13. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 1,  
10 further comprising a tampering guard, wherein said tampering guard initiates deactivation of said microprocessor in response to unauthorized interference with at least one component of said vehicle verification and control device.

14. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 1,  
15 further comprising a scanner, wherein said scanner can communicate collected data to said microprocessor, wherein said microprocessor issues at least one command to said vehicle master computer in response to said data.

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15. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 14, wherein said at least one command issued by said microprocessor imposes at least one operational and performance constraint on the vehicle.

16. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 14, wherein said data collected by said scanner is transmitted to a remote receiver.

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17. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 14, further comprising a visual display module communicatively linked with said microprocessor.

10 18. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 17, wherein said visual display module communicates data remotely transmitted thereto.

15 19. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 17, further comprising a data entry means.

20. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 19, wherein said data entry means is a keypad.

20 21. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 19, wherein said data entry means is a touch-screen incorporated into said visual display module.

22. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 19 wherein said data entry means is voice recognition hardware and software.

5        23. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 1, further comprising a target, said target carried on an external surface of the vehicle and said target enabling receipt of overhead signals and transmission of said overhead signals to said microprocessor, wherein an appropriate response is communicated to  
10 said vehicle master computer.

24. The vehicle verification and control device of Claim 23, wherein said target acts as a remote activator for at least one traffic monitoring device.

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25. A combination tracking, computer-override device for a vehicle and a remote system for an authority to monitor, disable or limit performance of the vehicle, comprising:

20        a microprocessor, wherein said microprocessor is carried by a vehicle and said microprocessor can command a vehicle master computer;

      a receiver, wherein said receiver can receive at least one signal for said microprocessor;

      at least one license plate, wherein said license plate is

specifically encoded to communicate with said microprocessor,  
wherein said license plate carries an infrared receptor, and  
wherein receipt of an encoded or infrared signal directs said  
microprocessor to disable the vehicle;

5           a transmitter, wherein said transmitter sends said at least  
one signal to said receiver;

          a monitoring means, wherein said monitoring means records  
receipt of said at least one signal and determines physical  
proximity of the vehicle;

10           a towing module, said towing module initiating an  
authorization sequence prior to towing of the vehicle, wherein  
failure of said authorization sequence initiates a response;

          a tampering guard, wherein said tampering guard initiates  
deactivation of said microprocessor in response to unauthorized  
15       interference with at least one component of said vehicle  
verification and control device;

          a scanner, wherein said scanner can communicate collected  
data to said microprocessor, wherein said microprocessor can  
issue at least one command to said vehicle master computer in  
20       response to said data, and wherein said data collected by said  
scanner can be transmitted to a remote receiver;

          a visual display module communicatively linked with said  
microprocessor, wherein said visual display module can  
communicate data remotely transmitted thereto;

a data entry module for said microprocessor; and

a target, said carried on an external surface of the vehicle and said target enabling receipt of overhead signals and transmission of said overhead signals to said microprocessor, wherein an appropriate response can be communicated to the vehicle master computer, and wherein said target serves as a remote activator for at least one traffic monitoring device.

26. A method of remotely monitoring and influencing operation of a vehicle, comprising the steps of:

a) obtaining a vehicle verification and control system having a microprocessor, wherein said microprocessor is carried by a vehicle and said microprocessor can command a vehicle master computer; a receiver, wherein said receiver can receive at least one signal for said microprocessor; at least one license plate, wherein said license plate is specifically encoded to communicate with said microprocessor, wherein said license plate carries an infrared receptor, and wherein receipt of an encoded or infrared signal directs said microprocessor to disable the vehicle; a transmitter, wherein said transmitter sends said at least one signal to said receiver; and a monitoring means, wherein said monitoring means records receipt of said at least one signal and determines physical proximity of the vehicle;

b) installing said microprocessor, said receiver and said

license plate on a vehicle;

c) providing said monitoring means and said transmitter to an authority;

d) sending at least one signal to monitor the physical  
5 location of the vehicle; and

e) sending at least one signal to influence operation of the vehicle.